



BAXTER IN TRAINING - (Above) Baxter, the center of attention, is shown with Susan Major, Taylor Major and others in Miss Kim Gooch's preschool class in the spring of 2014 when Baxter stopped by for a visit. Baxter is training to be a therapy dog and also provide tutoring time while children read. **CERTIFIED** - (At left) Baxter has already been awarded the Canine Good Citizens Certification award medal following some of his training with Susan Major. Major is his handler and they are training to become a team to visit people at nursing homes to provide comfort, and disaster events to soothe and comfort victims during tragic events.

Major is grooming Baxter to become a "Therapy Dog"

After such a loving experience with Hunter, the first family dog of the Major family, Susan Major decided she wanted to broaden their relationship with their next family pet. "We lost Hunter, our Golden Retriever, after 14 1/2 years during the summer of 2012," she said. "He was such a wonderful family dog, very compassionate, with a sense to be gentle with everyone, including my elderly parents."

That special relationship with Hunter prompted Susan and husband, Jim, to attend an all Golden Retriever dog show in St. Louis soon after Hunter's passing. "We knew we wanted another dog even now after our children were all grown, married and out of the house," she said. "Now I would have time to raise one from a

puppy, working with him to become a comfort or therapy dog."

After visiting with a breeder in Cincinnati, Ohio, Susan explained to her why she wanted another Golden Retriever. "When the pups are around 49 days old, this breeder tests their temperament," explained Susan. "This is to see if they are compatible dogs for therapy, a family with children, or as show dogs."

Soon after, the Major family came home with their newest addition to the family, Baxter. "He demonstrated that he would be a great fit as a therapy dog," added Susan. "He tested well around strangers. Baxter didn't get upset around loud noises and he was able to stay calm and didn't get aggressive."

The first step in Baxter's train-

ing involved the Majors bringing him home, house breaking him and having him interact socially with family and friends. "Golden Retrievers, by breed, are very social dogs," noted Susan. "We were told that good therapy dogs are not 'made,' they are born with that temperament." There is additional training involved, but the dog needs to display those types of personality traits even before training begins.

For the next several months Baxter was integrated into the Major family, socializing with everyone including grandchildren, Taylor (then 3), Jake (then 2), and Alek (then an infant). This time also ensures that Baxter has

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RTW Ordinance: Illinois Governor wants to follow in Kentucky's footsteps

Fulton County signed the ordinance on Right-to-Work (RTW) as 2014 was winding down. This action by then Fulton County Judge/Executive David Gallagher and the Fulton County Fiscal Court was enacted to bring more opportunities for employment to a county that has been consistently in the high end of the unemployment numbers.

Their decision to sign this ordinance is making headlines reaching far beyond western Kentucky, into states such as Illinois. On March 29, an article written by Seth A. Richardson, published in the The State Journal-Register references Fulton County and the state of Kentucky.

Richardson states "Fulton County, used to be known as the Banana Capital of the World. "More than two-thirds of all the Chiquita bananas sold in the country went through the small town on the trip from New Orleans to Chicago. It provided a

great amount of industry jobs for the town of less than 3,000.

"But hard times fell on the town, and soon the jobs dried up. Fulton County had the highest unemployment rate in Kentucky in 2014, and 63 percent of its residents live below the poverty line.

"So David Gallagher, the judge executive - akin to a county board chairman - for the county, decided something needed to change. The fiscal court - or county board - consisted of four Democrats and one independent, who unanimously passed a right-to-work ordinance.

"The right-to-work zones do not ban the formation of unions in the county. Rather, the law states that union membership cannot be compulsory.

"Gov. Bruce Rauner called for the same type of set up in counties across Illinois last month in his State of the State address. Since

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PRH closing affects entire families, not just jobs

Not just employees, but people and entire families have been affected by last week's closing of Parkway Regional Hospital in Fulton. Brianne Williams, an eight year employee of the rural hospital was a lead CT technologist, floor X-ray technologist and also performed MRIs. "The people I worked with had become my family, they were there when I was married to my husband, Anthony," she said. "They have watched my stepdaughter Natalie grow from a toddler into a pre-teen."

Brianne's work family was

also there when her daughter Raimée was born. "I had fertility treatments to get pregnant," explained Brianne. "My PRH family was there with me through it all." Her daughter is now five years old.

In 2008 Brianne's brother and sister-in-law were expecting a baby boy. "This was their first biological child together," explained Brianne. "My niece and nephew, twins, were adopted by my brother."

During a routine ultrasound, performed by one of Brianne's coworkers at PRH, and also

one of her best friends, Renee, discovered a medical condition that would later become life threatening for the unborn child. "It was revealed that Cannon had one of the rarest heart defects possible," Brianne said, filled with emotion even now. "Left hypo plastic heart syndrome, which meant he would be born without the left side of this heart."

Cannon was born at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital and underwent several surgeries, was

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Brianne Williams and some of her Parkway Regional Hospital family

Rotary partners with CAF

Alzheimer's affects more than \$5 million people

According to an article by Julie Bain in the April 2015 issue of *The Rotarian*, Alzheimer's affects more than five million people in the United States. Now there is new hope to stop this withering disease.

What if everything that you used to define yourself was all of a sudden taken away from, asks Bain. "Your sense of self requires memory," says Rudolph E. Tanzi, a professor of neurology at Harvard Medical School and co-author of the 2012 book *Super Brain*, with Deepak Chopra. "And when you have Alzheimer's disease, you lose

your sense of self."

Bain's article predicts that those suffering from this dreaded disease will grow to more than 7 million by 2025 in the United States. Worldwide, the projection is 100 million by 2040.

This disease that devastates families and loved ones has the potential to bankrupt our health care system. And, so far, there is no cure.

Through the efforts of Care Alzheimer's Fund (CAF) and Rotarians around the globe, there is potential for world-changing breakthroughs in Alzheimer's prevention and treatment.

Jeffrey L. Morby, founder and chair of CAF and a Rotarian with the Rotary Club of Martha's Vineyard, blown away by the disease, was motivated to direct his attention in its direction when he saw a need.

Morby and his wife, Jacqui, whose mother was experiencing dementia, set up a foundation with a mission to dramatically accelerate research, making courageous bets, and focusing exclusively on finding a cure.

The couple pledged that 100 percent of the funds raised by CAF would go directly to

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ANNUAL EGG HUNT - Cayce Baptist Church held their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4 on the church lawn. Several area children came to hunt the numerous eggs and enjoyed grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies, drinks, having their picture taken with the Easter bunny and learning the story of Jesus. (Photos by Barbara Atwill)

FC-HC EDP to pay for dislocated workers of PRH to earn National Career Readiness Certificate

One of the most important resources in the modern job seeker's toolbox is the National Career Readiness Certificate, a product of ACT. The National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) is a portable credential that demonstrates achievement and a certain level of workplace employability skills in Applied Mathematics, and Locating Information, and Reading for Information. The NCRC measures "real world" skills that employers believe are critical to job success. Questions are based on situations in the everyday work world. More and more employers are utilizing the best candidates for their company.

"We want the dislocated workers of Parkway Regional Hospital to have the best opportunity to find new employment," said Eddie Crittendon, Executive

Director of the Fulton County-Hickman County Economic Development Partnership. "Because the NCRC provides potential employers with validated proof of the job seeker's everyday work skills, it is an investment in our people who have participated in our local labor force."

To take advantage of the free testing, Parkway Regional Hospital dislocated workers should contact the Fulton Adult Education Center and speak with Melody Darnell at 270-472-2373. Other adult education centers are offering similar free testing opportunities through June 30th, so anyone looking for employment should contact their local adult education program.

For more information regarding the Fulton County-Hickman County Partnership, please call Eddie Crittendon at 270-472-2125.

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APRIL IS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH!

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Wednesday, April 8 - 37.9
Thursday, April 9 - 39.3
Friday, April 10 - 40.3
Saturday, April 11 - 40.5
Sunday, April 12 - 40.3



STOP AND SMELL THE TULIPS - Little Charles Readnour enjoys the aromatic smell of tulips that his great-great-grandmother and great-great-granddaddy Abernathy planted in their garden. He is the son of Scott and Kara Readnour.



Your Local Weather

Thu 4/9	Fri 4/10	Sat 4/11	Sun 4/12	Mon 4/13
				
78/58	67/46	71/51	76/65	76/55
Considerable cloudiness. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 50s.	A few morning showers. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	A few clouds. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 50s.	Thunderstorms developing in the afternoon.	Windy, with thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the mid 50s.

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Turning Back The Clock

25 Years Ago

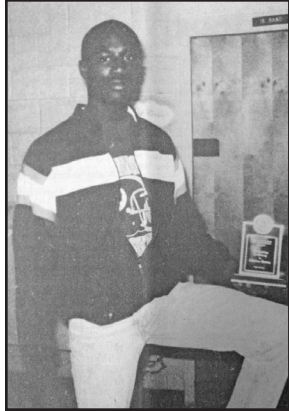
April 12, 1990

Obituaries: Evelyn Peterson; Robert W. Choate, 83; and Hazel King, 79.

Cindy Carol Everett has won the honor of 1990 Class Valedictorian at Fulton County High School. Salutatorian honors went to Raco Michelle Holloway. Cindy will graduate with a 3.918, while Raco graduates with a 3.59.

Plans are underway to coordinate activities for the first annual Hickman River City Festival. The festival is planned for the weekend of July 7th and 8th and is being coordinated by the Hickman Chamber of Commerce and the City of Hickman/Fulton County Rescue Squad.

New Arrival: Mr. and Mrs. Tim Hughes of Paducah are the parents of their second child, a son, born April 6, 1990, at Western Baptist Hospital. He joins a sister, Hilary Layne, who is 16 months.



Leonard Smith, Senior at Fulton County High School, is shown with the plaque he won for being chosen for the All-Tournament Team at Graves County High School. Fulton County played Tilghman and lost in the first round. Tilghman went on to represent the First Region at the Boys State Tournament. Leonard plans to attend college at the District of Columbia University in Washington, DC.

50 Years Ago

April 16, 1965

A citizen one-man campaign for community betterment has won the support of the Hickman Chamber of Commerce. Chamber directors approved Monday morning a resolution endorsing the campaign of Austin Voorhees for a supervised and maintained trash dump.

At last Friday night's City Water and Gas Department monthly meeting the commissioners instructed the manager, to pay for the City labor he used for private purposes.

Hewitt Stewart, commander of the American Legion Post 57 in Hickman, has announced that the local post received recognition in the Kentucky Legionnaire for having attained its goal post for the year.

Jimmy Warren of Fulton presented Dee L. McNeill with a certificate for 50 years of service in the field of law at a dinner, which attracted some 40 persons Saturday night.

Dolly Johnson was named Hickman Elementary School spelling champion last week. Others who will be competing for county honors on Friday, April 16 are: Wanda Price – Western; Mayola Wilson – Phillippi; and Gloria Beaucom – Riverview. Cayce was not known at press time.

More Hickman boys are urged to look into joining the local Explorer Post 48.

75 Years Ago

April 12, 1940

Work is progressing on the new Methodist Church building at Cayce, and it is expected that this structure, replacing the one destroyed by fire, will be completed by mid-summer, or a little later. The Rev. J.E. Hopper, Methodist minister of Cayce, has expressed his appreciations for the spirit of cooperation marking the work.

County Superintendent of Schools J.C. Lawson announces that seven of the county schools will close Friday. The remaining nine schools, which were disbanded for a longer period during the cotton picking season, will close Friday, April 19.

Tuesday Adolph Hitler's mighty German Army steamed with speed and precision into Denmark and Norway by land, by sea and air, seized the vulnerable capitals of Copenhagen and Oslo, brought about a new Nazi-headed government in Norway and extended the wartime "protection" of the Third Reich to two kingdoms, 3,750,000 Danes and nearly 3,000,000 Norwegians.

125 Years Ago

April 12, 1890

The Hickman spoke factory, J.W. Morris and Son, are pushed with orders beyond the capacity of their present machinery and to supply this demand new machinery was ordered by telegraph last Monday. They will then be compelled to run both old and new machinery night and day for the next two months to catch up.

The new steamer, City of Hickman, of the Anchor Line Packet Company, was to have been launched from the Howards' Yards at Jeffersonville, Ind. this week.

C.H. Ferrell, vice president of the Mo., Tenn. and Ga. Railroad, with others connected with that enterprise will visit Hickman today in regard to the Hickman and Tiptonville Levee.

All the upper rivers are falling and the Mississippi at Hickman is now going down rapidly. It is now reasonably certain that the overflow will be a thing of the past in a few days, and "bottom" farmers can look forward to reasonably full crops.

Deed Transfers

The following Deed Transfers were recorded in the office of Fulton County Clerk Betty Abernathy Friday, March 27 through Thursday, April 2:

Gary Keith Gilkey to Steven K. McCullough, property in city of Fulton, Ky., value \$58,000.00, March 27.

Anthony Burcham and wife Joann Burcham to Tiffany Paige Burcham Dennis and husband Zachary Dennis, property in Fulton County, Ky., value \$45,000.00, March 20.

Sanger Farms, Inc. to Garland Williams and wife Shirley Williams, property in Fulton County, value \$141,000.00, March 31.

Reginald V. Boothe, as Trustee of the Reginald V. Boothe Trust, and William L. Bennett, Jr., as Trustee of the William L. Bennett, Jr. Trust of Wichita, Kan. to J. Larry Fugate, as Trustee of the Larry Fugate Revocable Trust, dated March 25, 2010 of Wichita, Kan., property in Fulton County, value \$229,989.00, April 2.



TOURING WESTERN KENTUCKY - Candidate for Attorney General, Andy Beshear (above, second from right), was in Fulton County on Monday, March 30. Meeting with Beshear included Fulton County officials (l to r) Magistrate Henry Callison, Kenney Etherton, Judge/Executive Jim Marin, Magistrate George A. Jones, County Clerk Betty Abernathy, Beshear, and Sheriff Bobby Hopper. (At left) Behshear spent time discussing the issues with county officials.

Stokes talks Fulton Railroaders with DAR

The Jacob Flournoy Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, met recently at the Carr Street Community Center in Fulton.

Regent Ann Freeman led the D.A.R. Ritual and presided over the installation of new member Susan Major.

Alice Voegeli introduced guest speaker Cubb Stokes, president of the Fulton Railroaders.

He spoke on "A Baseball Team Reborn".

In 2011, the Fulton Railroaders joined the Ohio Valley League, and Stokes explained 22 players are currently signed to play the first game this season May 29 at Lohaus Field in Fulton.

Freeman and Voegeli served as hostesses during the social time, with St. Patrick's theme used in food and decoration.

Officer and committee reports were given, with Phyllis Simmons presenting the Indian minutes with the Cherokee Blessing.

Freeman reported on the book "Christanna", a book about the 18th century Virginia colony for the American History Minutes.

It was reported that Jordan Hall, state president of the Limestone Society Children of the American Revolution, mentioned funds were needed to help support military dogs serving in Afghanistan and Middle East countries.

The project is called "Joy of the Wolf".

Mary Harris made the motion and Rose Oliver seconded that J.F.C.D.A.R. send \$50 to help with this program, and it was agreed upon with a unanimous vote.

Elaine Allen mentioned renewing the DAR magazine, during her treasury report.

The next meeting will be April 9, with a trip to Paducah's Lloyd Tilghman House and Civil War Museum.

Members will meet at 8:45 a.m. at the Vogeli home, before leaving for the trip. There will be a Dutch treat lunch after the tour.

Letter to the Editor

Community Banking is Consumer Protection

Dear Editor,
As the economy continues its gradual recovery from the harsh fallout of the Wall Street financial crisis, the country has turned its attention to consumer protection. Policymakers have established the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and enacted a plethora of new financial regulations. Meanwhile, consumers in the Hickman area and across the country have raised their awareness and concerns about the questionable financial practices of the largest banks and non-bank financial institutions and have made it clear they will not stand for it again.

Fortunately for consumers looking for a safe, secure and accountable source of financial services, the answer is right here in Hickman. Community banks—the hometown financial institutions that have been serving America's communities since our nation's founding—operate a business model that is inherently supportive of consumers and local economies.

Local, community banking—the kind we provide at The Citizens Bank—is built upon one-on-one relationships between community bankers and their customers. By banking with a community bank, consumers

deposit their money in a local institution that reinvests its funding in the local economy. In turn, we community bankers know our customers firsthand and are personally accountable to them. As locally based financial providers serving the people we see at PTA meetings and Friday night football games, community bankers are obliged to be honest dealers—not only is it our culture, but our business depends on it.

In short, community banking is consumer protection. And as the community banking industry recognizes April as ICBA Community Banking Month, I encourage consumers to consider the benefits of banking locally. Community banks maintain a symbiotic and mutually beneficial relationship with our customers. We take in local deposits and put them to productive use by lending that money back into the local economic ecosystem—to local small businesses, entrepreneurs, farmers and home buyers. That's why community banks are so important to our communities. And it's why community banks continue to advocate policies that distinguish these local institutions from the large and complex financial firms that have demonstrated significant risky practices to consumers.

With more than 6,000 community banks operating 52,000 locations in local communities throughout the United States, there is ample opportunity to explore the benefits of local banking. It's easy to learn more—just stop by **The Citizens Bank** to discuss your financial situation and how community banking could be right for you.

Hometowncommunitybanking has helped build this country and its many, diverse communities. Remember, community banks are only successful if their customers and communities are too. With a direct incentive to do right by their customers, community banks are a critical source of financial stability for individual consumers, local businesses and the economy as a whole. To take advantage of this safe, secure and stable source of financial services—and to contribute to a more vibrant and sustainable economy in your community—I encourage consumers in the Hickman area and nationwide to see for themselves the benefits of community banks, the original consumer protectors.

Chris Rodgers
President
The Citizens Bank

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Dave Says...

by Dave Ramsey



Dear Dave,
My parents are going through a divorce, and money issues are a big part of the problem. My dad bought several rental properties and poured money into them. Then, he lost them to foreclosure and isn't making a lot in his new, commission-based job. How can I, as a 25-year-old kid, tell him that his career choices aren't working?

Ryan

Dear Ryan,
I'm sorry to hear about your mom and dad. Divorce is never an easy thing, no matter how old you are.

You've probably heard lots of old sayings about how winners never quit. Well, in many cases those are false statements. Winners and successful people quit all the time; they quit doing things that aren't working. This doesn't have to mean that you quit on a dream, but it could mean you change the methodology you're using — especially if it's not getting you anywhere.

Part of being a successful entrepreneur is having the ability to recognize when something isn't working and change it. You sound like a smart, caring young man, but there's little chance that a twenty-something with very little life experience will be able to convince his father of these things. I mean, he's probably in his fifties, right? Plus, he's going through a divorce, and it sounds like he's broke and emotionally worn out.

You've got a great heart, and I'm glad you care enough about your dad to try and help him. But in this scenario, I think he needs to talk to someone like a pastor, or even an older relative or good friend closer to his own age — a guy with a little more life experience. Maybe you could talk to someone like this and explain what your dad is going through. Ask them to talk to him, and see if he'll open up to some new ideas.

In the meantime, just be there for him and show all the support you can. You're a good son, Ryan.

—Dave

Dear Dave,
Let's say you have \$1 million in the bank. Why would you take out \$300,000 to buy a house, instead of just making a 20 percent down payment and keeping the rest of the money in mutual funds to make more money? If need be, I could still pay off the house.

Alex

Dear Alex,
Interesting question. Okay, I'm game.

The spread that you'd make between even a high-interest rate mortgage — let's say six percent — and mutual funds at 11 percent or so, is about five percent. And that's assuming nothing goes wrong, and you can get your mutual fund out if needed.

What you're talking about is theory, and what I'm talking about is actual life. In your theory you've left out two major issues:

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LEARNING TO FORM PETITION - Second graders in Ms. Beverly Claybrooks class have been learning about writing petitions. Class members include front row (l-r), Fairyn Thomas, McKayden McClure, Diamond Mitchell, and Phoebe Patterson; second row, Kelly Gordon, Emelia Wheeler, Ashden Thomas, and Jadarian Smith; third row, Emry Ellingburg, Maleah Price, Sa'Marya Newberry, Mylei Sims, and Javen Kimmons; fourth row, Brandon Johnson, Kylee Harrison, Claire Watts, James Parker, and Cody Stewart; fifth row, Ms. Claybrooks, Hannah Murphy, Hez Smith, Landon Cole, Allie Grace Jones, Tristan Kinney, and Donell Lipscomb.

Second graders learn how to form valid petitions

Recently Beverly Claybrooks 2nd Graders read a selection in their readers “Carl the Complainer”. Carl complained about everything. Eventually he had a valid complaint. He and his friends wanted the park to stay open later in the afternoon. They really needed a safe place to play. Carl and his friends decided to form a petition. They worked hard collecting signatures, and finally they were able to present it to the City Council. The council agreed with their request and the petition was granted.

Teacher Leader Hannah Murphy thought it would be a cool idea for our class to form a petition. The class agreed and began to think about what our petition could be about. Eventually they came up with the idea of keeping our playground clean. Hannah started working on how it should read, while others wondered about how many signatures it would take. The class worked diligently, they collected signatures and were satisfied with its content. The Teacher Leaders Team met and decided we should

present our petition to Supt. Collins and his administrative staff. The class agreed and we took our petition to them.

Supt. Collins sent us a letter of approval allowing us to meet our challenge. Students knew the genre of the story was “Realistic Fiction”. This meant that this could happen in real life. It is necessary for students to be able to apply what they have learned in school to real life situations. I have established teacher leaders, an academic coach, an animal science specialist and a research team. The goal is to place students in leadership positions, enabling them to have confidence and courage that will assist them in attaining their life long goals. Daily these students review the previous days lesson with their peers. They ask and answer any questions that come from Ms. Claybrooks or other students. Upon completing their assignments, Ms. Claybrooks checks them and they are free to help any student that wants help. Every child will have an opportunity to be a teacher leader in a



TEACHER LEADERS - Teacher Leaders in Ms. Claybrooks class are front row, Diamond Mitchell, James Parker and Madelyn White (Animal Science Specialist); second row, Teacher Leaders, Claire Watts, Landon Cole (Academic Coach), Hannah Murphy, Kylee Harrison, and Ms. Claybrooks. Not pictured are Reseachers Emry Ellingburg and McKayden McClure.

particular area in this class. We have a new class pet donated to us by Jennifer and Bart White. It

is a Bearded Dragon its name is Sunshine White Claybrooks.



The Perks of Growing Older

By Krisha McCoy, MS
Retirement doesn't have to be your one-way ticket to a sedentary life. Learn about senior programs and services that can help you stay vital and stimulated.

Your senior years can be one of the most enjoyable and fulfilling times of your life. As the baby boomer generation gets older, the number of senior citizens in the United States is rapidly increasing, and seniors are finding ways to be more and involved.

There are more seniors today than ever before. In 1990, 3.1 million Americans were age 65 and older; by 1994, this number had grown to 33.2 million. Researchers estimate that by 2030, 20 percent of the U.S. population will be senior citizens.

So what are some of the key trends in this age group?

- Better economic position. Thanks to improvements in Social Security and Medicare, the number of seniors below the poverty level has dramatically decreased, from 35 percent in the early 1960s to about 10 percent today.
- Higher education. More seniors than ever before have completed high school, and it is becoming increasingly common for seniors citizens to have earned a bachelor's degree or higher.

- Lasting marriages. The majority of senior citizens younger than 85 are married. Since women tend to live longer than men, older men are twice as likely to be married as elderly women.

- Longer life expectancy. People are living longer today than in the past, and the number of people who live until age 100 is growing.

Better Services and Programs for Senior Citizens

In generations past, people felt that old age was a time to take it easy and slow down. But today senior citizens know that staying active is one of the most important parts of healthy aging. Some of the services available to help senior citizens remain vital include:

- Fitness programs. A number of local community centers, churches, fitness centers, and senior centers offer exercise programs specially designed for older adults. Regular exercise helps you stay functional and healthy.
- Volunteer organizations. An estimated one-third of volunteers in the United States are senior citizens. Volunteering can be a great alternative for your time after retirement. There are many organizations with programs that help match senior citizens to volunteer opportunities.
- Lifelong education. Staying

mentally active is an important part of healthy aging, since researchers are finding out that when it comes to our mind, you have to use it so you don't lose it. One way you can stay mentally challenged as you grow older is to enroll in adult education courses. Ask your local college, university, or public library if they offer education programs especially for seniors.

One of the best ways to stay in good mental and physical shape as you age is to get out and enjoy yourself. Take advantage of the programs and services offered to senior citizens as you can make the most of life.

Weekly activities at the Senior Center include Monday, April 13: 10:30 – Kris Moore – 11:30 Bingo; Wednesday, April 15: 10:30 – Lana Livigni – Life Line – Exercise – 11:30 – Birthday party – Bingo; Thursday, April 16: 10:00 – Sassafra Ridge – Devotion and Singing; Thursday, April 16: 10:00 – Corn Hole; Friday, April 17: 11:30 – Bingo.

Bingo is played every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of each week (25¢ a card) on these days immediately following lunch, at approximately 11:30.

Bingo winners were Monday, March 30: Julia Davis, Suzanne Hurley, Mary H. McCauley, and coverall James Griffith; Wednesday, April 1: Mary H. McCauley, Suzanne Hurley,

Henry Higgins, and cover all bob White; Friday, April 3: Center Closed – Good Friday.

Rook winners last week were Shirley Shaw, Julia Davis, Robert White, Helen Drewry, Lana Edwards, Josephine Warren, Vonciel Leyhue, Maria Jackson, and Judy Milner.

The following items will be served at the Senior Center next week:

Monday, April 13

Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green peas, whole-wheat roll, strawberries and banana, and skim milk.

Tuesday, April 14

Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, onion, baked fries, black-eyed peas, mandarin oranges, and skim milk.

Wednesday, April 15

Salisbury steak, oven roasted potatoes and carrots, summer squash, whole-wheat roll, angel food cake with orange sauce, and skim milk.

Thursday, April 16

Roast turkey, pasta salad, corn on the cob, whole-wheat roll, mandarin salad, and skim milk.

Friday, April 17

French toast casserole, syrup, sausage patty, stewed tomatoes, American fries, banana, and skim milk.



Hickman Duplicate Bridge Club winners for Tuesday, March 31 were as follows: Betty Jo Wheeler and Bonnie Poynor and Betty Amberg and Jo Grissom, tied for first/second.



The following Marriage License was recorded in the office of Fulton County Clerk Betty Abernathy:

Jayda Marie Johnson of Union City, Tenn. and Manuel Gomez Lopez of Union City, March 31.

Lodgeton, Fulton County Kentucky

Jeff Shell
Guest Columnist

A few weeks ago a friend of mine Woody Woodruff posed to me a question. He asked me if I ever heard of a town called Lodgetown. I said no. He had heard of it and said some relatives had lived there. Friends since high school, I wanted to soothe his curiosity. The more questions I asked and the more I dug, the more curious I became. He mentioned it was around Cayce, either toward “Jerdon” to the south or toward Clinton to the north. It was a start.

I had no luck with Lodgetown and looked for Lodgeton, Ky. All I found was something about Lodgeton School asking me to purchase a souvenir badge about the school in Fulton County. No other information was provided and I did not want to buy a souvenir. Asking about Lodgeton did peak some interest and a few mentioned knowing where Lodgeton School had been between Cayce and Fulton on Highway 94. I took that question to the Fulton County Genealogical Society lunch meeting in Fulton. Jeff Boyd was the guest speaker and was sharing his artifacts found at various Civil War sites and previous ‘digs’ using his metal detector. He knew of Lodgeton School. He told me there was a historical marker across the road from where it had been. I left early. I knew exactly where it was.

I had passed that historical marker many times on the corner at the intersection of 1125 and 94 highways. I wanted to stop but always passed before I remembered to. I stopped for sure this time. This was when I read in chill bumped honor about Rob Morris, Poet Laureate of the Freemasons and Master Builder of the Order of The Eastern Star. I wrote about him recently in The Hickman Courier, showing the marker and had asked some questions. I have this to report.

Rob Morris had a homestead in the field behind the marker. A description by John Scott in 1854 described his ride, fourteen miles

from the Mississippi River in Hickman through downed trees and burned out stumps and sparse population, to Rob Morris's humble, if not seemingly dilapidated, cabin abode with scraggly fences not quite deciding to fall or stand. He had imagined this man of the world, becoming more famous as days went by, living in a castle or stately mansion. This was not the case. His cabin was described as being about 30 rods (approximately 500ft.) from the highway. There was a smaller but similarly dilapidated cabin about ten or fifteen yards away that his family described as the “office”.

Rob Morris, a Freemason that wrote a tremendous amount of correspondence and communicated through letter and visitation to many Lodges of the Freemasons decided to start a post office within his humble office cabin. He named it, obvious now, Lodgeton post office. He was the first postmaster. With no commerce or platted town, Lodgeton had no chance to compete when close by Crutchfield brought in the railroad. Lodgeton faded and became only a count of households on the census. In 1856 a school that taught classes above primary was called a college (high school nowadays). I'm in belief that the corner stone laid during the grand rally of Freemasons on June 24, 1856, for the now defunct West Kentucky College was later to become known as Lodgeton School. It was across the road from the Lodgeton post office and the homestead of the Poet Laureate of the Freemasons and Master Builder of the Order of the Eastern Star. Rob Morris died in 1888 at LaCenter, Kentucky, with many dignitaries attending and full Masonic Honors. Thanks for the prod and the nod Woody Woodruff. ~Jeff Shell

**Note:* Most of the information on Rob Morris and Lodgeton came from “The Poetry of Freemasonry” by Rob Morris, LL.D. and a free book on Google called: Pioneering in Masonry: The Life and Times of Rob Morris, Masonic Poet...By Lucien V. Rule



The Hickman Courier wishes all these good folks a very happy birthday! Help make their days more special by remembering them with a card or a phone call.

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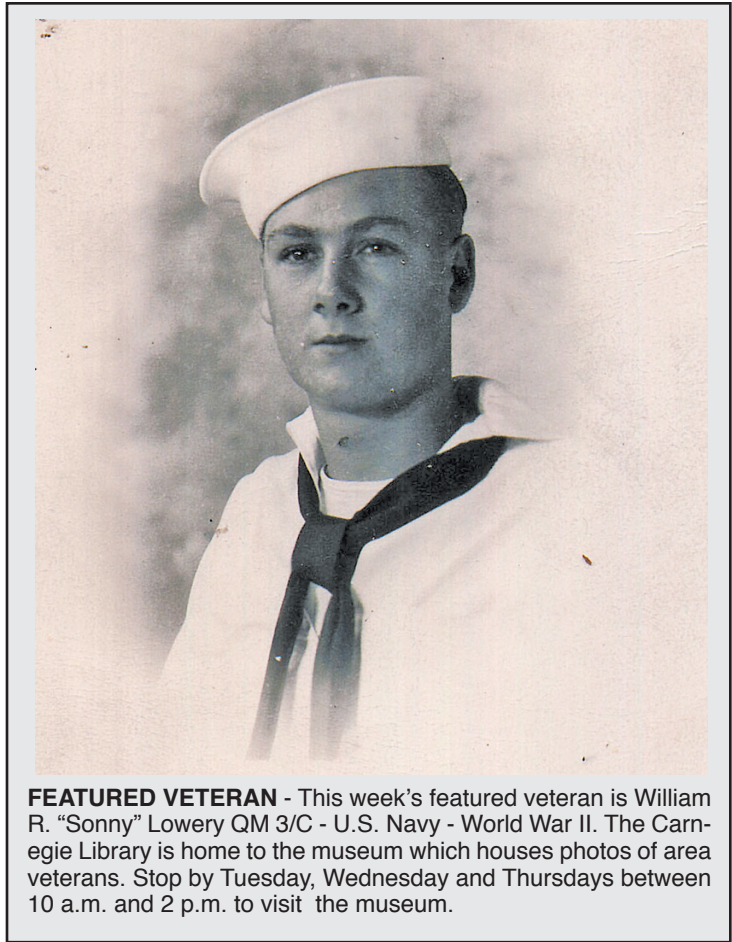
Adams, and Gabriella Page Buckingham.

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April 18 – Jim Ruttinger, Betty Jean Eakes, Tammy Williams, Chris Henderson, Tony Henderson, Deana Sharp, and Haley Hartman.

April 19 – Deena Anderson, Ellen Murphy, and Alyssa Harvey.



FEATURED VETERAN - This week's featured veteran is William R. "Sonny" Lowery QM 3/C - U.S. Navy - World War II. The Carnegie Library is home to the museum which houses photos of area veterans. Stop by Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. to visit the museum.

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Grant application. It can be found on www.kheaa.com by clicking on the “Paying for College” tab, choosing “KHEAA-Administered Programs” and clicking on the link to the grant.

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Hickman Police Department News

The Hickman Police Department reports these arrests, citations, investigations and fire calls for Hickman and Cayce Volunteer Fire Departments for Monday, March 30 through Sunday, April 5:

Monday, March 30:

- Special detail at school zone.
- Investigated a criminal trespassing claim on Terrace Dr.
- Responded to a loud music complaint on 7th St.
- Investigated an assault at Davis Park.
- Traffic stop on 7th St.
- Responded to a loud music

complaint on Cedar St.

Tuesday, March 31:

- Special detail at school zone.
- Went to a disturbance on Myatt St.
- Responded to a call from Indians Hills.
- Investigated a loud music complaint on 7th St.
- Went to a burglary alarm on Moscow Ave.
- Traffic stop on South 7th St.

Wednesday, April 1:

- Special detail at school zone.
- Responded to a disturbance on 7th St.

- Helped a walk in at PD.
- Performed a welfare check on 7th St.
- Investigated loud music complaint on 7th St.
- Cited Brittany Poyner for city code violations.
- Investigated a reckless driver claim.
- Responded to a disturbance call on Park St.
- Responded to possible fight on Cedar St.
- Arrested Justin Johnson for DUI.

Thursday, April 2:

- Assisted EMS with a call on Moscow Ave.
- Special detail at school zone.
- Responded to a 911 hang up on Union St.
- Investigated a gas drive on 7th St.
- Went to a loud music complaint on 7th St.
- Traffic stop on Myron Cory Dr.
- Cited Leonard Smith for loud music violation.
- Traffic stop on Moscow Ave.
- Friday, April 3:
- Traffic stop on UC Hwy.
- Responded to a burglary alarm on

S. 7th St.

- Special detail at school zone.
- Investigated a disturbance on Moscow Ave.
- Loud music complaint on 7th St.
- Traffic stop on Moscow Ave.

Saturday, April 4:

- Loud music complaint on 7th St.
- Traffic stop on S. 7th St.
- Arrested Jerome Johnson on several violations.
- Cited Sterling Higgins for loud music violation.
- Responded to a domestic violence call on Vance St.
- Investigated a 911 hang up on 7th St.

Sunday, April 5:

- Investigated a gas drive off on 7th St.
- Assisted a walk in at the PD.
- Responded to a harassment claim at Davis Park.
- Loud music complaint on 7th St.
- Traffic stop on Myron Cory Dr.

Editor's Note: This information was submitted in its entirety by a representative of the City of Hickman Police Department. Any corrections, changes, or deletions contact the Police Department at 270-236-2520.

Bluff Briefs

New Bryant's Chapel Fundraiser

New Bryant's Chapel Church will be selling Chitterling and BBQ plates with two sides on Saturday, April 11, beginning at 11 a.m. Plates are \$6.00 and includes dessert.

Recycling coming to Hickman

Recycling of paper products will be collected on Saturday, April 11, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., at the Fulton County Road Department in Hickman.

Friends for A Cure host Hub's Night

Friends for a Cure Relay for Life team will host their annual Hub's Night on Monday, April 13, from 5 - 9 p.m. Waitresses tips go to support the team.

Obion Creek Watershed Conservancy District to meet

The Obion Creek Watershed Conservancy District, Board of Directors, will meet Tuesday morning, April 14, 2015, at 7:30 a.m., in the USDA Service Center, Conference Room, Clinton, Ky. The public is invited to attend.

Emergency Response - Livesaving Medical Training

A class that covers what to do when you have no medical help available after a disaster will take place on Saturday, May 23 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Harvey Vick Room at the South Fulton City Hall. The emergency response - lifesaving medical training class provides hands on practice of lifesaving techniques. Bring pen, paper and your lunch.

Spring Taster Event and Plant Sale

A Spring Taster Event and Plant Sale, presented by the Fulton County Homemakers will be held Thursday, April 23, starting at 6:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Fulton. Tickets are \$10 and includes a cookbook of all recipes that are being sampled. Tickets can be purchased at Dan Voegeli's Office in Fulton, or call 270-472-0843 for ticket information.

Fulton Co. Sheriff's Department News

The Fulton County Sheriff's Department reports these arrests and citations for Tuesday, March 17 through Saturday, April 4:

Tuesday, March 17:

- Catlin Pence of Dyersburg, Tenn., white female, arrested, DUI 1st, n insurance 1st, drug paraphernalia.

Friday, March 20:

- Kathy King of Fulton, white female, arrested, DUI 1st.

Tuesday, March 31:

- Jim G. Stewart of Walnut, Miss., white male, citation, speeding 70/55 mph zone.
- Kelvin D. Thomas of Clinton, Ky., black male, citation, speeding 87/55 mph zone.
- Adriana Giles of Fulton, Ky., white female, citation, speeding 74/55 mph zone.

Thursday, April 2:

- Billy H. Garrison of Union City, Tenn., white male, arrested, fugitive from justice (TN).
- Lon G. Cunningham of Clinton, white female, citation, speeding 71/55 mph zone, no registration plates.
- Clifford Isbell of Hickman, black male, arrested, failure to appear.

Friday, April 3:

- Kayla M. Roach of Clinton, white female, citation, speeding 74/55 mph zone, failure of owner to

maintain required insurance/security, 1st offense.

- Charles T. Warlick of Jackson, Tenn., black male, citation, speeding 71/55 mph zone, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st offense.
- Kathy Richardson of Hornbeak, Tenn., white female, arrested, violation of conditions and release (bond conditions).

Saturday, April 4:

- Kevin M. Carr of Clinton, black male, arrested, operating on suspended or revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 2nd offense.
- Kevin M. Carr of Clinton, black male, arrested, non-payment of fines (2 counts).
- Shawn D. King of Silvis, Ill., black male, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
- Jamie L. Cummins of Union City, Tenn., white female, arrested, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

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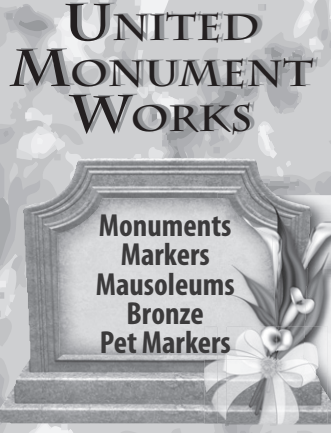
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The Fulton County Fiscal Court shall appoint two (2) viewers who have no vested interest in the discontinuation of the proposed portion of CR 1308, who, together with the County Road Engineer, shall view the road and report in writing at the hearing scheduled by the Fulton County Fiscal Court regarding the Petition, informing the Fiscal Court as to what inconvenience would result from the discontinuance of the proposed portion of CR 1308.

The public hearing regarding this matter shall be held at the regular meeting of the Fulton County Fiscal Court to be held on Monday, April 13, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., in the office of the Fulton County Judge/Executive, County Office Building, 2216 Myron Cory Drive, Suite 1, Hickman, KY 42050. At that hearing, any other evidence may be presented to the Fulton County Fiscal Court regarding the discontinuance of the proposed portion of CR 1308.

This published notice shall run once each week for two consecutive weeks prior to the Fiscal Court's hearing scheduled for April 13, 2015, in a newspaper of general circulation in Fulton County, Kentucky. Further this published notice shall be posted at three (3) prominent and visible public places within one (1) mile of the proposed portion of CR 1308 to be discontinued in compliance with KRS 178.070, KRS 178.050 and Stewart v. Colley, 255 S.W. 701 (Ky.App. 1923).

Fulton County Fiscal Court
Jim Martin
Fulton County Judge/Executiv

PRH Closing

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placed in a drug induced coma and put on ECMO which pumps blood out of your body and then back into it, allowing your heart to rest. "He was there almost two months before he passed away," continued Brianne. "I traveled there every weekend and whenever possible for me to go. My Parkway family was there every step of the way. When I was at work my coworkers would gather and have prayer for Cannon and his family everyday."

After Cannon passed away his picture still hung on the way in Brianne's department. "There are people all over the hospital, family, people who loved me and my family who surrounded us in prayer," she said.

A second time Brianne called upon her PRH family for comfort and support, this time it was Brianne's own daughter who was in danger. "When my daughter was rushed to St. Jude, she was covered in bruises, the terrible thoughts of leukemia were all I could think of," she said looking back. "I was lucky she was diagnosed with thrombocytopenia where her immune system had attacked her platelets and they had dropped to 0." This meant that Raimee could bleed to death.

"She received a platelet transplant and has been going to St. Jude for six months now," added Brianne. "My Parkway family was there for me once again. Prayers, texts, phone calls, messages and never a day that I walked in the doors of PRH where they did not ask about her or how an appointment went and how is she doing."

So yes, family is about mothers, fathers, brothers, and sisters, but for Brianne it means so much more. "My PRH family are my adopted ones," she said. "That includes a few adopted mothers that I met at PRH. I love my 'family.'"

Brianne, now employed at Baptist Memorial Hospital (BMH) in Union City, Tenn., worked at PRH until the last day on March 31. "I wouldn't change a thing," she said. "So many patients stand out and

without saying their names, we at Parkway probably have ones who come first to mind. Ones we reminisced about fondly, those who made us laugh. Those we mourned over after they passed because we knew we could never see them again."

Another thing Brianne wouldn't change is the friendships she made that would last a lifetime long after the doors at PRH closed for the last time. "I have become a better medical professional," she noted. "I have learned things that I would not have learned at a larger facility."

When Brianne moved on to BMH it became some what familiar to her because she was once employed there before. "I believe you make the best of wherever you are," Brianne said as she looks to the future. "You have connections with people no matter where you go. Parkway was a smaller facility, each department worked closely together. You helped each other and you were there for each other." Especially during good times and even while experiencing your own crisis.

"My mother worked at Parkway for many years before I came to work," added Brianne. "I spent many nights there as a child when she was called in. Some of those same people were there during my eight years at Parkway and they looked over me like their own children."

So yes, it's not just employees who are affected by the closing of the Fulton medical facility, it is entire families. "My family was affected by Parkway's closing," said Brianne sadly. "They have been my 'family' for years. My department family, Linda, Renee, Tracey, Melissa, Dick, Devin, Diane, Mary Katherine, and Jesse. We have all laughed, cried, endured, and sometimes fought, but that's what families do. I wish you all the best. To my big Parkway family, the same, thanks for loving, caring and sharing to my family, friends, and to our community. All the hard work, sleepless nights, and long days are deeply appreciated from myself and family. You all are the best!"

Rotary and CAF

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research by covering all the overhead expenses.

Rudy Tanzi, vice chair of neurology at Massachusetts General Hospital in addition to professor of neurology at Harvard, was recruited by CAF. Tanzi has been a pioneer in finding genetic causes of neurological disease.

With Tanzi's earlier work with chromosome 21 and its link to Huntington's disease and even Down syndrome, he speculated that there might be an Alzheimer's gene on chromosome 21. He discovered the first gene known to be associated with early-onset Alzheimer's in 1987, then discovered two more. And I never went back; I have just kept going with Alzheimer's ever since," he noted in Bain's article.

After meeting with the Morybs in 2004, Tanzi put together a dream team of world-class researchers to carry out CAF's strategy. It wasn't long before they were identifying new Alzheimer's genes, and based on what they were learning from the disease-associated mutations in those genes, working on possible drug therapies.

Looking to speed things up in 2010, Rotary entered the story - Jeff and his wife accidentally came into contact with Dick Pratt, a longtime member of the Rotary Club of Martha's Vineyard. "We started talking, just being friendly," Morby says. "Pratt asked me what I was doing. I told him about being chairman of CAF, and how I was dedicating my time to try to find a cure."

They talked for hours, and Pratt invited Morby to speak at a club meeting and his program was a hit. "Most Rotarians have somebody in their family or a friend who's had Alzheimer's," Morby adds. "And people are terrified that they're going to get it."

A chain reaction soon took place following Morby's talk at the Rotary meeting with his message spreading from one club to another. Soon Rotary clubs throughout District 7950 (parts of Rhode Island and Massachusetts) began fundraising efforts.

Presentations on the bigger stage soon followed at the 2012 Rotary International Convention in Bangkok, Thailand and the Lisbon convention. Thus, spreading the word even further about CAF's work and commitment.

People from South America were making connections with others from places in the U.S. like Ohio, sharing their struggles with patient education and more.

There was a lot to celebrate in October 2014, when he CAF marked its 10th anniversary with

a symposium at the Harvard Club of Boston, Morby spoke about how, since 2004, the once-limited knowledge of Alzheimer's has exploded into a nearly complete understanding of the basic causes and the pathways to a cure.

Tanzi and his team have since identified more than 100 Alzheimer's genes and over 250 genetic mutations that could make someone more - or less - likely to get the disease.

The article goes on to say that gains have lead to a more thorough understanding of Alzheimer's course. It's symptoms take 20 to 30 years to develop, Tanzi says, and there are three-distinct phases: amyloid, tangles, and inflammation.

The key now is to figure out how to prevent, or treat, each one at different stages of life and disease. Tanzi call this "matching the right treatment to the right patient at the right time."

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RTW in Illinois

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then, he's often said he wants Illinois to shift to the Kentucky method."

In January 2015, Fulton County's unemployment rate was sitting at 7.6% while the state's average is 6.1% and the national average is 5.7%.

Fulton County Judge/Executive Jim Martin was present when the Fiscal Court passed the RTW ordinance back in December and fully supported the Fiscal Court.

Judge Martin is taking a wait and see approach as how the ordinance with impact Fulton

County. "I don't think the RTW law in Fulton County has had to make an impact but I believe it will," he said last week. "We can call ourselves a RTW county but we have to realize that will be subject to the court's reaction to the suite against the Hardin County Court to struck down their RTW. We will have to wait until that process is complete before we have a final answer."

Judge Martin, at this time, doesn't think the current drop in the county's unemployment rate had anything to do with the RTW law, but did say "It certainly is refreshing to see our rate to be closer in step with the remainder of Kentucky."

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KFC's Colonel Sanders treats students to a trip down memory lane of his life

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Every state has interesting, famous, and inspiring individuals that bring positive recognition to their home state. Kentucky has many that hail from the Bluegrass state, including one Harland Sanders, most recognizable as Col. Sanders, the face of Kentucky Fried Chicken.

On Thursday, March 19, Kentucky Humanities Council, Kentucky Chautaugua through a partnership with Murray State University's Outreach and Paducah Bank, "Col. Sanders" paid a visit to the seventh and eighth grade students at Fulton County Middle School. Col. Sanders, and other notable individuals from Kentucky, are portrayed by people who study the history of the individual for approximately one year. They then travel all across the state bringing these individuals such as Col. Sanders and others including Abraham Lincoln, Justice John Marshall Harlan, Mark Twain, Pee Wee Reese and Private William Greathouse, to life.

Col. Sanders, dressed in the famous white suite and black string tie, began his life story to the students as if they were employees in one of his many restaurants.

"Howdy kids!" he began, preceding to ask for a telephone. "This is a telephone?" he asked as a student handed him a cell phone. Col. Sanders couldn't believe it didn't have a cord and he thought it looked like a small television.

It was custom for Col. Sanders to check in on his restaurants every once in a while. "I am a one man consumer protection agency," he explained with a chuckle. "I serve as a good will ambassador for KFC. I have traveled thousands of miles visiting my restaurants."

Col. Sanders attributed his success to three things, hard work, luck and perseverance. Even though his father died when he was a mere five years old, forcing him to help his mom raise his younger brother Clarence and sister Catherine, he didn't allow his life circumstances to hold him back.

"Born in 1890, I did have many set backs," he said. "I learned how to cook and bake things like bread from my momma who worked in a tomato canning factory."

"My first job was at the age of 10," Col. Sanders continued. "I was eventually fired because I didn't clear the land I was asked to clear in the amount of time allotted."

No matter how long it took, Col. Sanders knew that one day he was going to make something

out of himself.

He left home at the age of 16, and joined the army. "The next thing I knew I was on a boat heading for Cuba," he said. "I was in charge of taking care of mules as the boat made my stomach churn," he said. "I lost 41 pounds by the time we landed."

In 1906 he was employed by the railroad as a train fireman, in charge of keeping the fire going inside the train.

"Back in those days I was always looking for something to do that had prestige attached to it," he said.

Soon, he was tired of the railroad and tried his hand as a lawyer taking correspondence courses, with only a sixth-grade education.

Col. Sanders also sold insurance and tires.

Eventually he would transition from selling tires to running a gas station in 1930 after hitch hiking while looking for work. He would end up in the little town of Nicholasville, Ky., in Jessamine County.

He found his niche, selling gasoline, adding services such as filling up the radiator and cleaning the windshield.

"People pay attention to that extra service," he said. "Within one year I was pumping more gas out of that station in Nicholasville than any other gas station in the entire state of Kentucky."

The Great Depression was the demise of the station when all the farmers went broke and they couldn't pay. "I sold the gas station and everything I had," he added. "I was now looking for something new to do again."

He moved his family to Corbin, Ky., where Hwy 25 runs through the town, "It was a major thoroughfare back in the day," he said. "We had a lot of trade there and we pumped a lot of gas," he added. "Lots of truck drivers and more came through so we added a little restaurant in a side building with six chairs and a table, cooking meals for people to sit a spell and eat."

After the owner asked Col. Sanders to try using a pressure cooker to cook vegetables quickly, but have them taste like they had been cooking all day, he got the idea to try cooking chicken in it too.

"The first time I did it," he said, "it was terrible." Like anything else he did, if it didn't work out the first time, he kept trying.

That's how Kentucky Fried Chicken began even though his restaurant wasn't called that then, it was known as Sanders Cafe and Service Station.

When Interstate 75 was constructed, Col. Sanders was forced to shutdown and sell everything he had. "I received



about \$75,000," he said. "I paid off all my bills and it took everything I had."

Instead of just sitting back, collecting his social security checks, Col. Sanders got an idea. "I thought about retiring," noted Col. Sanders. "If there is one thing in this world I knew better than anyone else, it was how to fry chicken. So I decided I would spend the rest of my life asking people to buy into my franchise."

The first person who agreed to pay him five cents a piece per chicken sold with those special herbs and spices on it was a friend of Col. Sanders who lived in Utah.

Col. Sanders and his wife would then travel to restaurants with their pressure cookers, chickens and special blend of herbs and spices. "We didn't start in Kentucky, we went to Illinois and Indiana because we were selling the brand of Kentucky, not only chicken," he explained.

Eventually, it would catch on and before you knew it, a 70-year-old Col. Sanders was traveling the country while his wife stayed home in Shelbyville, Ky., mixing up the special herbs and spices. "I would sleep in the car," he said. "I would drive until I would find a gas station, clean up, and

get right back out there and do it all over gain."

The sales came. "Perseverance," he told the students. "That's what it takes. By 1958 we had several dozen restaurants and by 1962 we had 600 restaurants in the mid-west with signs that said 'Now serving Col. Sanders fried chicken.'"

Eventually it got too big for him and in 1964 he sold his interest in the company for \$2 million to a group of investors including John Y. Brown (who later became governor of Kentucky).

"They got me on television and all over the place," he said. "They made Col. Sanders a household name."

Not bad for a man who started from scratch when he could have retired. "The KFC franchise happened to me at a time in my life when most people were ready to start settling down," concluded Col. Sanders.

Col. Sanders was fatally stricken with leukemia in 1980 at the age of 90, the Colonel traveled 250,000 miles a year visiting KFC restaurants around the world. His likeness continues to appear on millions of buckets and on thousands of restaurants in more than 100 countries around the world.



Sports In Kentucky For the Hickman Courier By Bob Watkins

✓ Since it won't be nine (titles) at University of Kentucky, a number this week is 157. Calendar days since the Wildcats weren't playing *somewhere*. Dollars lost to UK and local 40-0 tee-shirt profit hopefuls, millions.

2. 38-1 team legacy? See the *Ended-in-Heartbreak shelf* alongside Unforgettables (1992), Rupp's Runts (1966) and Hagan-Ramsey-Tsioropoulos unbeatens (1954). Special, but find game result in bold-face (UK media guide).

✓ The Unforgettables helped make Christian Laettner famous, rich, then famous and rich again.

✓ The Runts helped media twist perception-into-reality, gave Texas Western College a place in social history.

✓ The '54 team was denied a title chance because Cliff Hagan, Frank Ramsey and Lou Tsioropoulos (ready for this? had college degrees.

3. One-and-done rebuff. Seasoned, well prepared, Wisconsin played smarter and together longer than any team UK faced in 2014-15.

4. How could Kentucky have three more baskets, 26-23 and lose? Because, they had four in the last 10 minutes while Calipari jigged, whined, gestured and over-coached.

5. \$\$\$\$. Losing the NCAA title and 40-0 perfect record may cost University of Kentucky \$1.5 million, and retailers as much as \$15 million in title memorabilia unsold, according to ESPN.com. "We would have produced 115,000 T-shirts over the next month," Lexington entrepreneur Matt Hoetker told the sports network.

6. Willie Cauley-Stein said he has probably played his last game at Kentucky. Two points and zero offensive rebounds in 33 minutes against Wisconsin, I thought he left a day early.

7. Andrew Harrison. Muttering one profane and racially-charged remark into a microphone put in doubt good kid image, two years in the making. But target Frank Kaminsky handled the insult like a man. "Over it."

8. Karl Anthony Townes, Trey Lyles and Andrew Harrison ... see ya.

9. Ready-Set-Go! Dept. Devin Booker. Kid is ready, right? To return to college, refine Shootist reputation learn how to get more than six shots in a Final Four game.

10. Kentucky Mr. Basketball(s) Derek Willis and Dominique Hawkins are getting a solid education in the L (sitting position). As UK coaches recruit over both, and Kentucky-rooted Chris Harrison-Docks, for instance, *plays* at Western Kentucky U., Bluegrass fans who love home-grown, must feel cheated.

11. Two Kentucky fan e-mails John Calipari will shrug off, ignore, care less about are these...

- "You will never know how I feel. Losing last night was like death to me. A dream that had many facets to it was quickly snuffed out. My spirit is broken ... as I go into a mourning period. I will never see anything like this team again in my remaining years. We got so close ... so close."
- And...
- "Outcoached, at every turn down the stretch, Calipari," barked another. "For every (predictable)

thing he tried, Bo Ryan had an answer."

12. Nate Silver, a professional statistician is to sports and politics, what Joe Lunardi is to bracketology, expert at what he does. Of the Wisconsin-Kentucky game Silver issued this stinging headline – *Coach Cal Blew It*. Then backed it up.

Silver's calculus was based on 100,000 simulations of game's last six minutes. Ahead four points (60-56 with the ball) and 12 possessions left for each team, UK's chances to win were 83.3%.

Instead, as he did in the 2012 championship game, Calipari slowed the pace, went to half court sets and shot attempts at end of game clock, and almost blew it then, did blow it this time. Both strategies played into Bo Ryan's hands. Critical among the last possessions: Three shot clock violations.

13. National title game day irony: On day Calipari's name was headed to hall of fame, Ryan's team played for an NCAA championship.

14. Will UK director of athletics Mitch Barnhart reward his coach of the year with something more original than a bump up to a \$6.4 million-a-year bank account? A purchase voucher for Keeneland's fall sale? A round the world vacation (including side trip to Wisconsin)? Or, season tickets to Pittsburgh Pirates 2015 home games.

15. To introduce Calipari at Hall of Fame induction ceremony? Maybe the man ultimately responsible for getting him to Kentucky, Rick Pitino.

16. Proven. Best two college hoops coaches in America: Mike Krzyzewski and Bo Ryan.

17. Green Envy Dept. As SEC undergoes ball coach upgrade (Alabama, Mississippi State and Tennessee), one pipe dream to upstage all that, would be Old School Bo Ryan at Kentucky.

18. UK consolation prizes: Longest win streak in school history, 38. Consecutive games made-a-3-pointer, 939.

19. Frank Kaminsky. Black Hole Dept. Good news is Kaminsky's going to be rich. Bad news is he will disappear into the Black Hole, the NBA.

20. Frank Kaminsky (Kevin McHale reincarnate?) should be a Boston Celtic.

21. UK eliminated Saturday! No Jay Bilas' spin for pal Calipari? Never mind, columnist Mike Lupica was succinct enough, "Say what you want, but Wisconsin's 71-64 win over Kentucky was not an upset!"

22. It's early, but best ball coach honeymoon to date must be Shaka Smart at Texas or Rick Barnes at Tennessee, right? My vote goes to Jim Harbaugh at Michigan. An estimated 50,000 fans showed up for the Wolverines' spring game.

23. Ranked number one wire-to-wire (almost), finished 38-1, so, where's the nickname?

24. John Calipari in a Hall of Fame. Congratulations. Since HOFs in all sports have cheats, rogues, rascals, addicts, gamblers and anything-to-win types, why not Kentucky's coach? After all, a man who qualifies for all the above and is still outside looking in. Pete Rose.

And so it goes.
You can reach me at bob. Watkins24@aol.com.



4-H SPEECH WINNERS 9 - 11 YEAR OLDS - On Tuesday, March 31, students from Fulton County and Fulton Independent Schools participated in Fulton County Communications Day held at Fulton County Elementary/Middle School. Receiving ribbons for their speeches were (front row, l to r) Linus Pulley, Red; Kaylee Young, Blue/Champion; Daniel Collins, Blue/Champion; and Gabriella Buckingham, Red; and (back row, l to r) Caleb Collins, Blue/Champion; Greyson Grissom, Blue/Alternate; and Jay Sipes, Red.



4-H SPEECH WINNERS 12 - 15 YEAR OLDS - On Tuesday, March 31, students from Fulton County and Fulton Independent Schools participated in Fulton County Communications Day held at Fulton County Elementary/Middle School. Receiving ribbons for their speeches were (l to r) Kanisha Wooten, Blue/Champion; Savanna Roberts, Blue/Champion; Alexis Martin, Blue; Isabella Hancock, Blue/Alternate; and Marlana Sipes, Blue/Champion. Not pictured: Retiazsha Chambers, Blue/Alternate; and Amber Vermillion, Blue/Champion.



4-H DEMONSTRATION WINNERS - On Tuesday, March 31, students from Fulton County and Fulton Independent Schools participated in Fulton County Communications Day held at Fulton County Elementary/Middle School. Receiving ribbons for their demonstrations in the categories of Team, Crafts and Photography, and Science and Natural Resources were (l to r) De'Aryia Kinney, Blue/Champion; Taylor Cantrell, Blue/Alternate; Janya Clay, Blue/Champion; Abigail Bittenbender, Blue/Champion; and Luke Jackson, Blue/Champion.



4-H DEMONSTRATION WINNERS - On Tuesday, March 31, students from Fulton County and Fulton Independent Schools participated in Fulton County Communications Day held at Fulton County Elementary/Middle School. Receiving ribbons for their demonstrations in the General category were (l to r) Cade Malray, Red; Yaquelin Barrientos, Red; Dalton McMillian, Blue/Champion; Owen Rodgers, Blue/Alternate; and Brittany Pirtle, Red.



Photos by Barbara Atwill

4-H DEMONSTRATION WINNERS - On Tuesday, March 31, students from Fulton County and Fulton Independent Schools participated in Fulton County Communications Day held at Fulton County Elementary/Middle School. Receiving ribbons for their demonstrations in the categories of Health; and Performing Arts were (l to r) Anna-Grace Johnson, Blue/Champion; Labraia Catlett, Blue/Alternate; and Ashanta Johnson, Blue/Champion.



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PLAY TIME AND READING PARTNERS - Taylor Major, a kindergartner at Fulton County Elementary School loves spending time playing with Baxter (left). Even from a pup he would let her lay all over him. Now (right) Baxter is the perfect listening partner has Taylor reads to him.

Grooming Baxter

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developed a bond with his new family so he will retain memories of them during the next phase of his training.

The next part of Baxter's training included sending him to a professional obedience trainer in Paducah, Ky., for two months. "We could only visit him once," Susan said. "This gives the trainer the ability to bond with Baxter so he has the drive to please the trainer." If the Majors were to visit too often, it would prolong this phase of his training.

Then, in the summer of 2013, Susan and Baxter participated in group classes in Murray at the Calloway County Humane Society following his return to the family home. "He and I were trained as a team and there were times when Baxter knew what to do even before I did," Susan said proudly. "Baxter was trained with word commands and motions such as a tap on the leg or a hand gesture."

The lessons are weekly and conducted in a group setting. "The group training is necessary," she said. "Especially when the ultimate goal is to have him be able to offer comfort to complete strangers and not just our family."

After receiving his Canine Good Citizens Certification, Baxter was able to make a visit to several preschool classrooms at Fulton County Elementary/Middle School and has made a few visits to Golden Living Nursing Home. "I had hoped we would be eligible to visit at St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., to be a comfort for children going through cancer treatments," she said. "Unfortunately that isn't going to work out because their requirement is a schedule of weekly visits."

Looking to give back to the community in another way Susan looked into two other ways that Baxter and she can serve. Baxter can be certified as a therapy dog through Therapy Dogs International (TDI) and their program entitled Tail Waggin' Tutors.

TDI is a volunteer organization dedicated to testing and registering dogs and their volunteer handlers for the purpose of visiting nursing homes, hospitals and other institutions. "We could also go to disaster areas such as a town struck by a tornado," Susan explained. "The dog provides the

victim comfort, relieving stress, and the handler is there on the chance they may want someone to talk to." Both of those ways will involve additional training for both Baxter and Susan.

The idea to become involved in Tail Waggin' Tutors involves Susan's oldest grandchild, Taylor. Now in kindergarten, Taylor likes to read to Baxter, while sharing cuddles. The main objective of the Tail Waggin' Tutors program is to provide a relaxing and "dog-friendly" atmosphere, allowing students to practice the skill of reading. "Baxter is so good around children, it just seems like a good fit," she said. "Taylor lies all over Baxter and he never moves. Taylor even spends time playing dress up with Baxter, putting various things on him and he just lets her have her fun." (See related story on page 8)

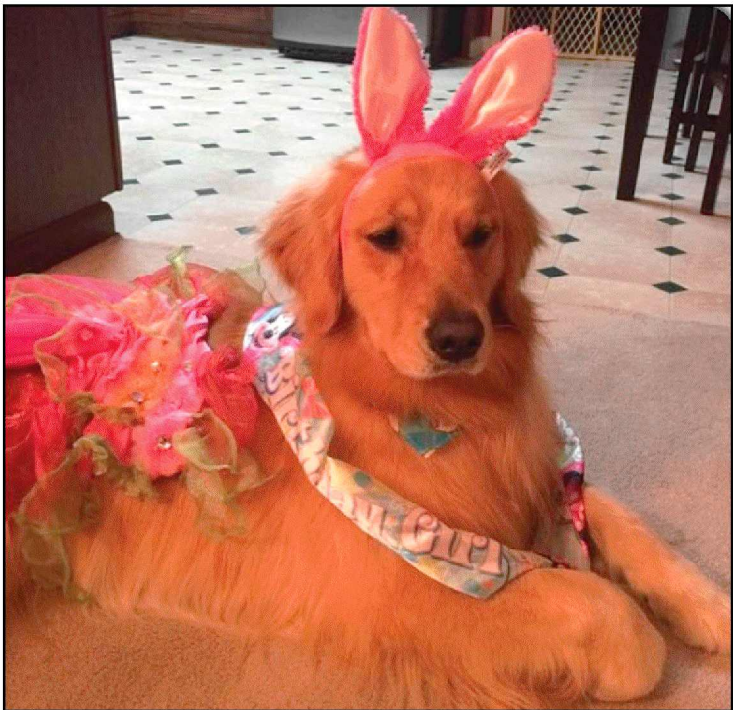
Dressing Baxter is good training for him as a future therapy dog. "Right now Baxter is only 2 1/2 years old," noted Susan. "Once he reaches 3 and 4 years of age, he will be more settled down to begin working as a therapy dog."

Other places where Baxter can be of service as a therapy dog is at colleges and universities like Murray State. "He can go on campus spending time playing Frisbee and interacting with the college students providing them

an outlet for pent up stress related to taking college exams," she said. "I have also been in contact with Fulton County Emergency Management, laying down the groundwork for the future once Baxter has had all of his training so he could assist at local disasters, too, if needed."

Susan sees all of this as a destiny for Baxter, who seems to have been born to serve and provide comfort. "Jim and I took him on a trip to Savannah, Ga., in February 2013 even before his obedience training," commented Susan. "We went with another couple and while the ladies were shopping the men walked around with Baxter. They received lots of compliments on Baxter's demeanor and some wanted to have their picture taken with him." This interaction with people, total strangers, helped build Baxter's love for people and his wanting to please humans.

Spending about 30 minutes with Baxter last Thursday morning it is easy to see how people are drawn to him. "He provides a comfort for them," remarked Susan. "When someone is in a crisis and Baxter is there he can provide them with that feeling that you can tell him anything. Your secrets are safe with him. He doesn't talk back and he doesn't judge."



PLAYING DRESS UP - Baxter is the perfect model when Taylor Major is ready to play dress up. Here Baxter is showing off some of his Easter finest.



Photo by Charles Choate

SAFE STEAL - Fulton County second baseman Damyen Goodrich (5) reaches for the ball, as shortstop Jarrett West backs up the play. Christian Fellowship's Issac Phillips (15) was called safe during his steal of second base during the game last week in Benton. The Pilots broke open a close game late, and posted their first win of the year 16-3.

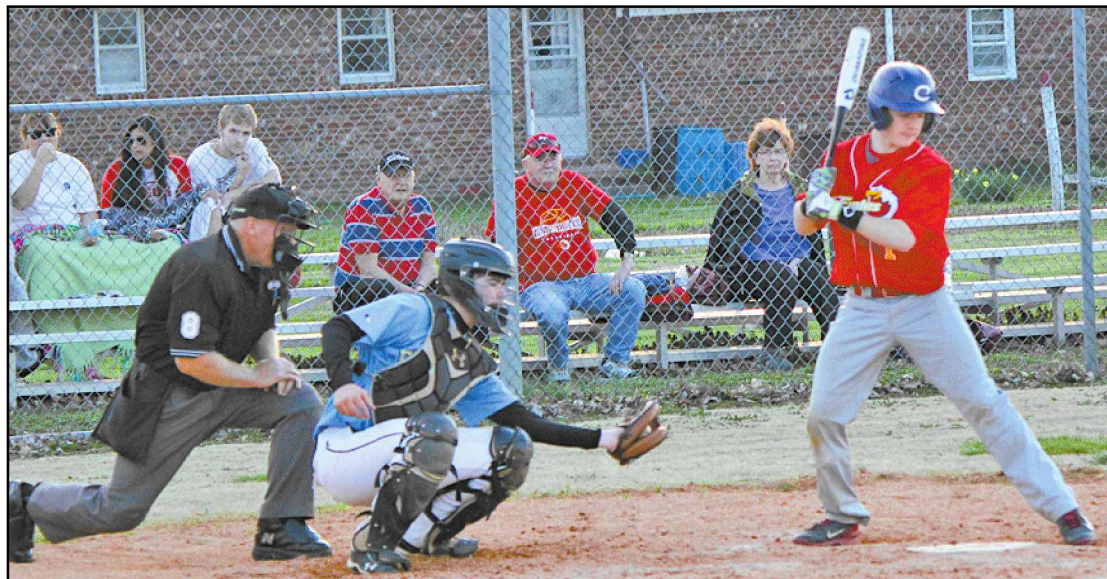


Photo by Charles Choate

INSIDE PITCH - Pilots catcher Cameron Matheny catches an inside pitch, as Christian Fellowship's Gavin Cypret stands in the batters box. Cypret later collected a base hit and scored, but it was not enough as Fulton County won the game 16-3.

Pilots Pull Away for First Season Win

The Fulton County Pilots put their first "W" in the record book this season, during a road trip to Marshall County.

The Pilots used a strong fifth inning to pull away for a 16-3 win over Christian Fellowship.

The game remained close through four innings, with the Pilots holding a 6-3 advantage.

Matthew Bodon and Madison Uzzle scored runs in the first inning, which was offset by a Gavin Cypret run for the Eagles.

In the second inning, Conner Jackson scored for the Pilots, with the Eagles again countering with a single run by Ethan Binkley for a 3-2 Fulton County advantage.

The Pilots extended the lead in the third inning, when Jarrett West, Taylor Sipes and A.J. Turner crossed the plate.

It was in the fifth inning that Fulton County put the game away, scoring 10 runs on five hits, including doubles by Damyen Goodrich and Ryne Choate.

On the day, Matthew Bodon was 2-for-2 with three runs scored, followed by Madison Uzzle 2-for-4, Damyen Goodrich 2-for-4, Ryne Choate 1-for-2, Jarrett West 1-for-3 and Conner Jackson 1-for-2.

The Pilots are now scheduled to play Monday in the First Region All-A Classic against St. Mary.

The game will take place at Carlisle County High School.

Fulton County Elementary/Middle School Honor Roll

Fulton County Elementary/Middle School announces the Honor Roll for the Third Nine Weeks:

Third Grade

All As: Guadalupe Barrientos, Ashley Caballero, Daniel Collins, Abigail Emmons, Dalton McMillin, Autumn Mitchell, and Hannah Varden.

All As and Bs: Elijah Barnett, Destiny Burnes, Logan Griffiths, Daisy Majors, Nyjah Montgomery, Connor O'Malley, Christian Smith, Emma Smith, and Ellie Worley.

Fourth Grade

All As: Azariah Busby, Hannah Emmons, Curtis Holmes, and Luke Jackson.

All As and Bs: Kelvin Brown, Calix Coulson, Destiny Gordon,

Hannah Hicks, Devin Kimmons, Maleea Lovell, Jason Mathews, Tristin Morris, Omarion Pierce, Amyia Sanders, Damon Schmidt, Natasha Slinkard, Reagan Warlick, and Kaylee Young.

Fifth Grade

All As: Yaquelin Barrientos, Bradley Burkeen, Reagan Ellingburg, Chade Everett, Cheyenne Hitesman, DeAyria Kinney, CaShayah McClerkin, Jay Sipes, and Carly Worley.

All As and Bs: Myles Amberg, DiAvian Bradley, Jakyla Crumble, Taylor Everett, Conner Gascoigne, Alyssa Hicks, Jacob Kellum, Demer Minor, Christopher Jo Morgan, Maddie Morrison, Amanda Newton, Breanna Riffe, Lamarious Stray, Virginia Varden, and Jequan

Warren.

Sixth Grade

All As: Mia Amberg, Sidda Brown, Caleb Collins, Callie Coulson, Hailee Edgin, Logan Johnson, Tyler Love, Derek Russom, Karlie Smith, and Remington Stewart.

All As and Bs: Katie Baggett, Carlos Barrientos, Broc Bridges, Brookelyn Chambers, Josh Cole, Kendrick Couch, Blake Edwards, Greyson Grissom, Will Jackson, Anna-Grace Johnson, Gracie Lambert, Makasha Lovell, Hayden Murphy, JaMya Pierce, Corey Smith, John Davis Swain, Deivyn Turner, Kobe Vermillion, Lyndsee Webb, Tanner Williams, and Hunter Woods.

Seventh Grade

All As: Marlena Sipes
All As and Bs: Abigail Bittenbender, LaBraia Catlett, Retiazsha Chambers, Cameron Cole, Madison Cooper, Abigail Crawl, Jakiron Crumble, Anyya Freeman, Madison Halstead, Ashanta Johnson, Cayce Jones, Kristen Lovell, Taivion Sanders, Dragan Schmidt, Nikia Smith, and Armani Yandal.

Eighth Grade

All As: Sally Bing, Jelynda Elliott, and Noah Miller.
All As and Bs: Abril Chilson, Justin Eakes, Mason Eakes, TaShayah Freeman, Josh Garrigan, Rachel Kelly, Jacob Mathis, Jake Mayo, and A.J. Turner.

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Christian Fellowship beats Lady Pilots 16-1

The Christian Fellowship Lady Eagles took advantage of 10 first inning runs to beat Fulton County 16-1 in softball last week.

The Lady Pilots had taken a 1-0 lead in the first inning, when Shelby Morris doubled, follow by a single from Delaynee Cernak. With runners on first and

third base, Alexis Dixon singled and scored Morris for the Lady Pilots only run of the game.

The loss dropped Fulton County to (0-4), with the team now set to play in the First Region All-A Classic on Monday inst Mayfield. The game will be played at Carlisle County High School.



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Senior Spotlight

Sam Bing
Parent's Names: Pam and Matt Bing
Sisters names: Sally Bing
Plans after graduation: Study Secondary English Education and Spanish at the University of Kentucky
Clubs and Activities: Academic Team (4 years, Varsity Captain), HOSA (3 years, Historian during Senior year), FBLA (3 years), Beta Club (3 years), Science Club (2 years, Vice President during Senior year), FFA (3 years, Chapter Chairperson Sophomore year), Spanish Club (2 years).
Accomplishments: 2nd Place State HOSA Bowl, 3rd Place Regional Insurance and Risk Management Regional Competition, 1st Place Academic Team Language Arts Regionals (2012), 2nd Place Academic Team Language Arts District (2012, 2013), 1st Place District Writing Competition FEA (2014), 1st Place Recordkeeping FFA (2012)
Hobbies: Art & writing
Favorite part of school: Being able to take in knowledge and learn more about history, and being able to expand my horizons through clubs.
Something interesting about yourself: I know Spanish.
Fondest memory while at Fulton County High School (any year): Being able to go to the National HOSA competitions in Orlando my junior year.

Congratulations

Sam Bing

Best of Luck

Love, Mom, Dad and Sal

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Will Thompson

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